THIS WEEK'S GREAT EXPECTATIONS

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Arch Creek Park Fair: Miami's own natural wonder, a limestone bridge at Arch Creek Park, 1855 NE 135 St., has a colorful history. Utilized as part of the first road built through Dade County, it suffered a lot of wear and tear through the years and finally collapsed in the early Seventies. Two theories were formulated to explain its demise; one concerns bad feelings on Chrysler's part when the company lost a battle to buy the parkland from the state, and another is that time, and location near Flagler's railroad tracks, eventually undermined the base. Whatever the reason, the bridge over Arch Creek was found worthy of rebuilding, and the official dedication took place only weeks ago. As part of Dade Heritage Days, there will be a fair at the park throughout the weekend. Flea market vendors with odds and ends for sale (you can peddle your wares too: just show up with $6) will be on hand. So will craftsmen of stained glass and stuffed animals; an exhibit from the on-site museum of Tequesta Indians, who settled the area in 400 B.C.; live music and entertainment; a sale of indoor and outdoor plants; and tour guides to take you through the tropical-hammock trail walks. Barbecue will be available as well. You can call the park at 944-6111 for more information.